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## New PSC Website Designed To Help Public Access Information

MADISON – The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) launched a new website designed to provide easy access to information about water, telecommunications, gas and electric utilities.

"Our goal is to open the PSC process to the public and make it as easy as possible for citizens to find the information they need about utility construction cases or rate cases that are pending before the Commission, according to PSC Chairperson Daniel Ebert. "I invite everyone interested in utility issues to visit our new website at <a href="http://psc.wi.gov">http://psc.wi.gov</a>."

The new web design is the second step in the PSC's efforts to improve public access to PSC activities. The first step was the creation of an Electronic Regulatory Filing System last year. Now all documents filed in new utility construction and rate cases are available to the public right on the website.

The Electronic Regulatory Filing System helped streamline PSC procedures, saving two positions that were needed for filing and copying. The new system also saves tens of thousands of dollars in paper costs every year for the agency and groups that participate in PSC cases on a regular basis.

The new PSC website design focused on making the Electronic Regulatory Filing System even easier to use. There are other new features with the website. For example, the public will be able to comment on utility construction and rate cases through the website, making it easier for people to have input on these important issues.

Noting that the vast majority of work in creating the new website was done by PSC staff, Chairperson Ebert said, "We will continue to look for new opportunities to provide information and gather input from the public on utility issues in an open and transparent way."

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